

Remarks/Arguments

A. Pending Claims

Claim 19 has been cancelled. Claims 1, 5, and 10 have been amended. Claims 1-13 and 17-18 are pending in the case.

B. The Claims Are Not Indefinite Pursuant To 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1, 5, and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicant sincerely appreciates the Examiner's suggestions regarding overcoming this rejection. Claims 1, 5, and 10 have been amended for clarification. Applicant submits that all the claims are now definite.

C. Additional Remarks

Based on the above, Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Doughty et al.
09/699,058

If any extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. If any fees are omitted or if any additional fees are required or have been overpaid, please appropriately charge or credit those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5053-31201/EBM.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark R. DeLuca
Reg. No. 44,649

Patent Agent for Applicant

MEYERTONS, HOOD, KIVLIN, KOWERT & GOETZEL, P.C.
P.O. Box 398
Austin, TX 78767-0398
(512) 853-8800 (voice)
(512) 853-8801 (facsimile)

Date: 11/14/06